



CANRIG DRILLING TECHNOLOGY LTD

PRODUCT BULLETIN NUMBER: 40

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SUBJECT: Welding on the Top Drive

SERIAL NUMBERS: All

DISCUSSION: Welding on the Top Drive can cause serious damage to bearings if not performed properly.

RECOMMENDATION: Welding on the top drive should be kept to a minimum and avoided if possible. If a welding procedure must be performed on the top drive the ground should be placed as close as possible to the weld area. If the ground is placed away from the work area there is a possibility that arcing can occur through a bearing and cause severe damage to the bearing roller and race. Good welding practices should always be followed when welding. If a weld repair is being planned you can contact the Canrig office for welding procedures for a specific area.

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